

**CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY COUNCIL MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING
November 7, 20129:00 A.M.**

PRESENT: Chairman J. Matthew Rivers, Vice-Chair Lenora V. Powe, Council Members: Kenneth A. Johnson, G. Franklin Plyler, Bruce E. Rivers, Robert G. Cole, Gerald L. Miller and Crawford Moore.

ABSENT: Council Member Curtis

OTHERS PRESENT: Denise Douglass – Administrator; Susie Boswell – Clerk to Council; Michelle Stanley – Finance Director; C. Heath Ruffner – County Attorney; Leighton Bell – The Link; Gary Phillips – Pageland Progressive Journal; Ben Zeigler – Haynsworth Sinkler & Boyd, P.A.; Charles L. Talbert, III – McAbee Talbert & Halliday & Company; Keith Benton – Codes Enforcement; Donna Rivers – CCCOA; Deepal S. Eliatamby – Alliance Consulting Engineers; Jamie Frost – Alliance Consulting Engineers and R. P. Presson. There were others attending the meeting who did not sign the sign-in-sheet.

CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER: Chairman J. Matthew Rivers welcomed everyone and Council Member Bruce E. Rivers opened the meeting with prayer.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Council Member Plyler made a motion to adopt the November 7, 2012 meeting agenda with any amendments approved by council. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 3, 2012 - Regular Meeting

Council Member Miller made a motion to approve the October 3, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

SIGNING OF BONDS, PAYROLL, AND AUTHORIZATIONS

None

APPOINTMENTS

a. Ben Ziegler, Haynsworth Sinkler & Boyd – Refunding of Bonds

Appeared before Council to discuss the refinancing of outstanding bonds. Attorney Zeigler spoke about the sinking fund of 1.6 million dollars which can be used to pay off bonds and clean the account up. This would leave a two year payoff of the remaining balance. County will save approximately \$75,000.00 by refunding these bonds.

b. Charles L. Talbert, III – McAbee, Talbert Halliday & Company

Mr. Talbert presented Council with the Chesterfield County Independent Audit for fiscal year 2011-2012. Chesterfield County has once again received a clean audit.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Multi-County Park Ordinance (Lancaster County) - Public Hearing

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to open the public hearing. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. There were no oral comments from the public made at the meeting nor were any written comments received from the public.

Council Member Moore made a motion to close the public hearing. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

ORDINANCE READINGS AND RESOLUTIONS

a. Multi-County Park Ordinance (Lancaster County) – 3rd Reading

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pass 3rd Reading. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. G/O Bond Refunding Ordinance – 2nd Reading Reading

Council Member Johnson made a motion to pass 2nd Reading. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

c. Lease-Purchase Equipment (bush-cutter) Ordinance – 2nd Reading

Council Member Powe made a motion to pass 2nd Reading. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

d. 2009 International Code Adoption Ordinance – 1st Reading

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pass 1st Reading. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

e. Property Tax Installment Payments Ordinance – 1st Reading

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pass 1st Reading. Council Member Powe seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

f. Combining Cash & Cheraw Fire Districts Ordinance – 1st Reading

Council Member Moore made a motion to pass 1st Reading. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

g. Boundary Changes for Cash & Cheraw Fire Districts Ordinance – 1st Reading

Council Member Powe made a motion to pass 1st Reading. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

h. McBee Rescue Squad Resolution

Council Member Plyler made a motion to adopt Resolution. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY COUNCIL

None

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF

a. Update on Grants – Douglass

Due to Administrator Douglass having laryngitis, Chairman Rivers asked that Council review the memo in the Agenda Packet regarding this update.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Johnson

None

Council Member Moore

None

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers

None

Council Member Miller

None

Council Member Cole

None

Council Member Plyler

None

Council Vice-Chair Powe

None

Council Chair J. Matthew Rivers

Congratulated returning council members for their win. Also congratulated staff and county employees for the work they do. Stated that he thought the county could do a better job when it comes to elections by providing Voter Registration with better equipment and better pay. He also stated he would like to see something put into place where candidates make a deposit for their signs to be picked up by county employees and the county employees would go out and pick up candidate signs after elections and store them in a central place and if a candidate didn't wish to participate, then they did not have to. He said he thought this would be a good way to get the signs off our highways and get the highways cleaned up after an election.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council did not enter Executive Session.

ADJOURN

Council Member Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Plyler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

APPROVED:

J. Matthew Rivers, Chairman
Date: December 5, 2012

ATTEST:

Susie Boswell, Clerk to Council

